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SUBJECT: DEATH OF MAO TSE-TUNG: MOURNING AND FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

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1. AROUND 1825 HOURS LOCAL SEPTEMBER 9 PEKING RADIO ANNOUNCED ARRANGEMENTS FOR MOURNING AND FUNERAL OF MAO TSE-TUNG. WE ASSUME DEPARTMENT HAS OR WILL SOON HAVE FULL NCNA ENGLISH TEXT VIA FBIS.

2. THE ESSENTIALS: MOURNING SERVICES WILL TAKE PLACE AT GREAT HALL OF THE PEOPLE SEPTEMBER 11 THRU 17. ON 18TH AT 1500 HOURS A SOLEMN MEMORIAL RALLY WILL BE HELD IN TIEN AN MEN SQUARE

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FLAGS ARE TO REMAIN AT HALF MAST THRU SEPTEMBER 18.
THERE ARE TO BE NO RPT NO DELEGATIONS FROM ABROAD.

FULL TEXT OF THIS PORTION READS: TO THE GOVERNMENTS, FRATERNAL PARTIES AND FRIENDLY PERSONAGES OF FOREIGN COUNTRIES WHO WANT TO
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COME TO CHINA TO TAKE PART IN THE MOURNING, THE CHINESE EMBASSIES

AND CONSULATES IN THESE COUNTRIES SHOULD EXPRESS DEEP GRATITUDE AND INFORM THEM OF THE DECISION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF OUR PARTY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF OUR COUNTRY NOT TO INVITE FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS, FRATERNAL PARTIES OR FRIENDLY PERSONAGES TO SEND DELEGATIONS OR REPRESENTATIVES TO TAKE PART IN THE MOURNING IN CHINA.

3. WE EXPECT THAT MFA PROTOCOL WILL SEND US A NOTE ON MOURNING OF SEPTEMBER 10 ANNOUNCING TIME WHEN USLO MAY PARTICIPATE IN MOURNING.

4. USLO'S FLAG WAS LOWERED TO HALF-MAST RIGHT AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAO'S DEATH. WE HAVE TELEPHONED OUR SYMPATHY TO MFA, STATING THAT USG CONDOLENCES ARE FORTHCOMING.

5. WE ARE MAINTAINING WATCH ON THE SITUATION THROUGH THE NIGHT AND WILL REPORT ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGE FROM SITUATION REPORTED IN PEKING 1778.
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